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Vicki Brooker photo

Bear.... bear... berries!

Parents, children, Fort George and Buckingham House Historic Site interpreter Celyne Runzer and a furry friend known as Miss Bear played a rousing game of 'Bear... bear... berry' during the Teddy Bears' Picnic in the Plantation area of the historic site. The site's program coordinator, Ross Stromberg, keeps an eye on the proceedings.

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Bears, berries and fun for all at Forts' festival

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

There were bears, berries and good times all around at Fort George and Buckingham House Provincial Historic Site on Saturday at the second annual Bears and Berries Festival, with morning showers moving off to the east in plenty of time for the family-style Bear Games and the much-anticipated Teddy Bears' Picnic.

An outdoor market, offering everything from fresh home-baked goodies to moose horn carvings, greeted arrivals to the site, while the tantalizing scent of barbecued elk burgers wafted on the breeze from the tent-covered eating area where Rob Holliday and his helper, Dennis Jasinsky awaited hungry visitors.

Inside the Interpretive Centre, Donna Chamberland and Connie Brodwin were dishing up slices of mouth-watering Saskatoon pie with ice cream, while nearby, Elk Point Historical Society members Anna and John Robertson were offering local history books for sale and showing off a genuine fur-trade-era treasure.

John said the British army-issue Turner musket that had been presented to his great-grandfather at the end of the War of 1812 and had been in the family's possession ever since. The musket was one of those sent to India with the British army, but had somehow made its way to an arms dealer in Boston, Mass., where it was one of many liberated in a raid and distributed to the Nova Scotia militia, who used the weapons to fight the American invasion.

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Treated water storage going to tenders

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point's treated water storage expansion will go to tenders at the end of the month, town manager Myron Goyan told town council at last Monday's meeting, with some questioning whether in this very busy construction season, any tenders will be submitted in response.

If the project gets underway before applications for the new Building Canada Fund become available, it would definitely not be eligible, Mayor Parrish Tung cautioned. "It won't be grandfathered, and they won't do it after the fact." That fund will provide \$8.9 million per year to be shared among Alberta communities under 100,000 in population and to be used for projects of local, provincial or federal importance, including infrastructure improvements, and the mayor noted

that if no tenders come in and the project had to be delayed, "we might have a good chance" of qualifying for the grant, which could be matched with provincial funds. "But do we dare wait that long?" he asked.

The viability of adding a pump to the treated water storage facility at the north end of town was discussed, but this would require the installation of three-phase power, which could cost up to \$100,000. Other improvements would also be necessary, with an estimated \$300,000 total cost seen by council as too much to spend on a stopgap measure, which would be eliminated when a new treated water storage facility is built. "It's better to save the money for a new pump at the water station, the mayor said.

Another new grant, the Alberta Community Partnership, is coming on stream and Mayor Tung said he planned to attend a webinar on Wednesday to learn more about it.

The town is still waiting for the final payment of grant funds from Alberta Transportation for the sewage lagoon expansion.

Industrial park

Goyan told council that roadwork in the new industrial park is coming to an end, and he wouldn't recommend building more roads in the area until there is more financial commitment on the lots. Power was reportedly to be installed July 16, with the gas lines going in when the road construction is completed.

Highway approaches

The paving of roads in the original industrial park "had only been requested to meet the original pavement," Goyan reported, answering a question at the previous meeting regarding the new pavement coming to an end some distance from the Highway 41 corners. The company has been contacted and will be coming back "to finish it up," he said.

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County CAO meets with Evergreen

RYAN MCCRACKEN
Review Contributor

County of St. Paul CAO Sheila Kitz attended a meeting with the manager of Evergreen Regional Waste Management last week with the purpose of discussing toluene levels and intake, which was discussed at a July county council meeting.

"At that meeting, Alberta Environment staff indicated that in order to change the allowable levels of toluene, the waste control regulation (AR-192/1996) would need to be amended," she said, adding the regulation sets the limits for hazardous waste. "The regulation currently allows for 0.5 mg per litre, we are recommending or requesting to have that limit raised to 5 mg per litre in accordance with the recommendations made in a 2006 final report updating Alberta's hazardous waste regulatory framework report... In addition we are looking to have ammonia deregulated."

Kitz said the 2006 report indicated that the current limits in the regulation are far too stringent, and that Evergreen already exceeds the amount of toluene indicated in the waste control regulation.

"We are limited to which type of facility can accept what we take. Currently Evergreen has to haul either to Redwater or Edmonton," she said, adding it costs over \$5,000 per truckload to transport the waste to Edmonton. "As a result, we've already exceeded the budget... and we likely expect it to be at least two times the budget. This will affect the amount paid by taxpayers."

Kitz pointed out that the federal government has released new drinking water standards with a higher level of toluene than is permitted by the current regulatory framework for hazardous waste.

"The Proposed Federal Drinking Water Standards are proposing 0.06 mg/L in drinking water," she said. "If we apply a basic calculation of 100X the allowed limit before something is considered hazardous, then the limit would be 6 mg/L."

Kitz added the current process is quite cyclical, as the landfill currently holds high levels of toluene based on the maturity of some of the waste.

"It's mature garbage that causes the higher levels of toluene," she said. "Because Cells 1 and 2 at the landfill are mature garbage, that's why the levels are high. So it kind of goes in waves. Bringing on the two new cells - which will be done some time in the next month or two - will be able to even out the levels, but I'm still not sure that we'll be able to meet the levels that are in current regulation."

New Home Warranty Program raises issues

The County of St. Paul outlined issues regarding the New Home Warranty Program at its July 15 council meeting, following a letter of concern from Cardston County.

The letter from Cardston County stat-

ed the county has seen a lack of response from New Home Warranty personnel, an inability to explain how applications for exemptions for self-build homeowners will be assessed and outlined the belief that the \$750 non-refundable exemption application fee is "punitive and merely seeks to dissuade people from applying for an exemption."

Kitz said the county of St. Paul is experiencing many of the same issues, and they are causing for a large increase in the amount of time it takes to build a home.

"The biggest issue is delays in getting the New Home Warranty approved for their new home," Kitz told the Journal in an email. "Without evidence that this is approved, the County is unable to issue any type of permit for them."

"I think the contractors here are very frustrated with it too," added Dennis Bergheim.

Coun. Cliff Martin suggested that council "send a letter to the minister outlining the problems we're experiencing," and Coun. Frank Sloan added he feels council should bring the issue forward to the next zone meeting.

A motion was passed to send a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and bring the discussion forward to the AAMDC zone agenda.

Stoney Lake tree project

County of St. Paul Ag. Fieldman Dennis Bergheim and Kyle Attanasio have been working on a tree-planting project at Stoney Lake with the assistance of, Toso Bozic, an agroforester with Alberta Agriculture.

Attanasio said Bozic has been providing a great deal of expertise and enthusiasm surrounding the project.

"He's currently working on a planting prescription for us; how far apart they need to be, where we need certain things at certain locations in the park," said Attanasio. "It's going to make that expanded area at Stoney Lake really nice."

The park will be closed on Sept. 2, and at some point in the following two weeks Attanasio said the county will go in to do a bit of digging and earth work, such as removing stumps and dead trees.

The county also plans to host a planting day, either on Sept. 20th or 27th, inviting local community groups to come out and pitch in on the environmental effort.

"Then on Oct. 4 is when I would tentatively like to do a big event where we would have a gentleman come in from Alberta Agriculture and he could talk a little bit about trees," he said, adding the day would feature a ribbon cutting. "It would be kind of an arbor day or tree day celebration."

Service Station

Council passed first reading a motion to rezone land at Highways 646 and 41 in Elk Point from agricultural to industrial commercial in order to allow for the construction of a new service station.

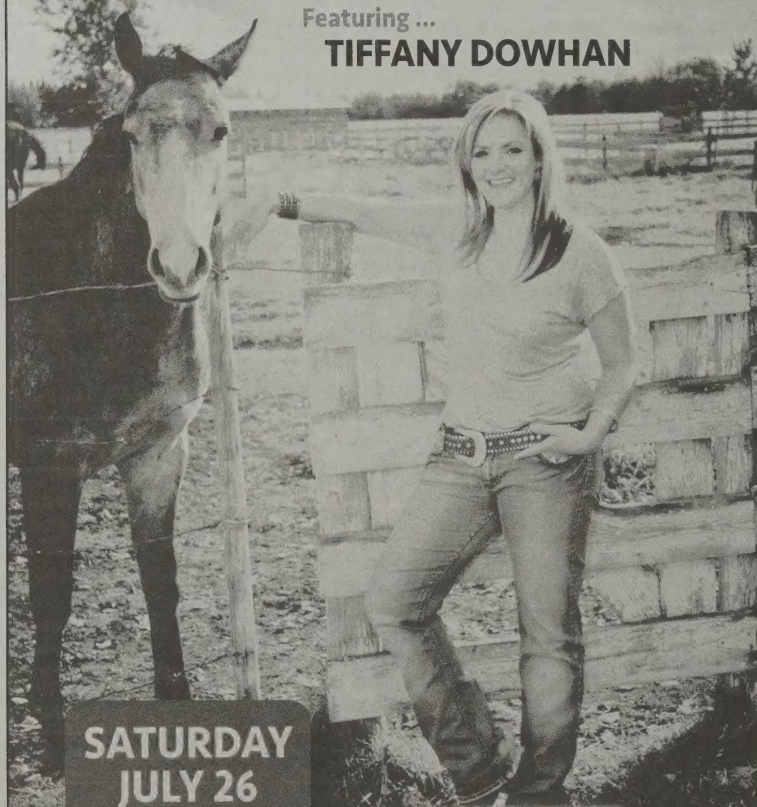
"The property will be used for a service station, gas bar and commercial service centre," said Kitz.

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West door access for Horticulture and Craft Show entries

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Agricultural Society's annual Horticulture and Craft Show is just 18 days away, and its planning committee met last week to iron out the last minute details for this year's event. Entry lists and tags are now available at the Elk Point Review office and a number of eager exhibitors have already picked theirs up.

The show will once again include a large quilt display, and committee chair Donna Bassett is on the hunt for quilts, which she said could be dropped off either at her home (call 780-724-4375) or brought to the A. G. Ross Arena on Thursday evening, Aug. 7.

Committee members and other volunteers will be setting up the quilt display on Friday afternoon, Aug. 8, and moving in tables ready for the horticulture and craft show and for the home-based business mini trade fair that will also be part of the show. At least 10 vendors have already signed up for the

trade fair and more calls are coming in to Deena Smith, who is organizing that part of the event, Bassett said.

Bassett said the quilt display will remain at the east (front) end of the arena, as it has in other years, with the addition of the Wild Pink Yonder draw fundraiser in that area. The trade fair will be located in the middle of the arena, and the horticulture and craft exhibits will be at the west end of the arena, with exhibits accepted at the west door for the first time ever. This is expected to smooth out the process by allowing entrants to drive up close to the door to deposit their entries, and to save time for the committee, who will no longer have to transport exhibits from the lobby to the far end of the arena.

Exhibits will be accepted from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 9, with judging at 2 p.m. The public is invited to view the quilt display and exhibits and to browse the trade fair on Sunday, Aug. 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., when the awards are presented.

Wildrose and CTF demand a return to balanced budgets

VEGREVILLE, AB: With the provincial debt spiraling out of control, Wildrose MLA Shayne Saskiw is calling on the PC government to stop burying future generations under a mountain of debt by immediately implementing the Wildrose 2014-15 budget recommendations.

Saskiw took the Canadian Taxpayers Federation (CTF) Balanced Budget and Debt - Free Alberta Pledge on July 17 when the CTF's Alberta Debt Clock tour stopped in Vegreville.

"This PC government continues to show it is tired and out-of-touch with the interests of ordinary Albertans. Even with

the government boasting about record resource revenues, they continue to put the future prosperity of Albertans at risk by piling up the red ink," Saskiw said. "Despite claiming a surplus budget last year, government expenditures exceeded revenue by \$2 billion, pushing the provincial debt to \$10 billion."

According to the government's own budget documents, the debt will climb to \$21 billion by the end of 2016 and Alberta taxpayers will be on the hook for \$820 million in interest payments alone.

Saskiw said that's hundreds of millions of dollars that could have been invested in programs

and services important to Alberta families, like more schools, permanent homes for children in care and supporting victims of crime.

Under a Wildrose government, this kind of political gamesmanship with taxpayers' dollars would come to an end," Saskiw said. "Not only will we balance the budget, we will immediately introduce legislation making balanced consolidated budgets mandatory, restoring transparency in the way deficits or surpluses are calculated, prohibit debt-financing and cap increases in government spending to the rate of inflation plus population growth."

Town council

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Rezoning

First reading was given to Land Use Bylaw 728/14, which would rezone the property most recently used as an antique store, originally the Catholic Church, from R2 to R3. Goyan noted that the property to the east of the parcel was already R3, and is occupied by a fourplex.

Access issues

A sign prohibiting trucks over one ton has created problems for a local businessman who said this kept

delivery trucks from unloading near his back door. Access for garbage pickup was also a problem. Council agreed to have the sign amended, and added assurance that planned installation of curb and gutter in the vicinity of the business will still occur.

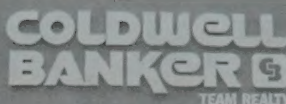
Evergreen

Council discussed the recent decision by the town of St. Paul to discontinue participation in Evergreen Regional Waste Management. "Why would a municipality pull out? Is their

reason valid, and what is Evergreen doing to address the issue?" were Mayor Tung's questions on the matter.

"We'll have to watch what St. Paul is going through," Coun. Lorne Young noted.

Coun. Debra McQuinn, who represents Elk Point on the Evergreen board, said that recent rains were adding to waste disposal costs, as the rainfall increases the amount of leachate produced and requiring disposal.



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Way Back When...

Rodeo, jamboree and farm award

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES IN THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 22 IN....

1984

A large and enthusiastic crowd at Elk Point Agricultural Society's Rendezvous Days Rodeo at Whitney Lake saw St. Paul cowboy Derek Hehr win the Bareback Bronc riding, hometown cowgirl Wendy Lorenson win the Junior Barrel Racing, a team made up of Clint Scott, Monte Scott and Clayton Holthe win the Kids' Calf Scramble and Randy Wickham place first in the Wild Ride, with brother Darrell second.

1989

Elk Point Boy Scouts Dean Berg, Darren Pilisko and David McNamara, along with Scout leader Pat Johnson, were off to Fort Amherst, Prince Edward Island, for the Canadian Scout Jamboree, and were the only boys from the Many Lakes District chosen to be part of a 360-member contingent from northern Alberta attending that event.

1994

Dirk and Doris Ludlage and family were presented with the Farm Family Award by County of St. Paul Reeve Dwayne Lindberg, and would be among the farm families from across the province to be honoured at Edmonton Northlands.

1999

Edmonton Manning MLA Ed Gibbons, the Official Opposition's Municipal Affairs critic, met with town council and said the province's drastic cuts in essential programs and grant funding have put increased burdens on municipalities as they cope with responsibilities formerly funded by the senior government.

2004

Roads in Elk Point's industrial park would get a much needed overhaul, with town council agreeing to go ahead with \$26,000 in repairs that were estimated to keep the roads in shape for five years, after deciding that the cost of a complete rebuild of the industrial park roads was far beyond their means at that time.

2009

A memorial honouring the lives and deaths of the fur trade era residents of Fort George and Buckingham House was unveiled during the Forts' annual Saskatoon Festival, with those present including approximately 30 descendants of James and Nestichio Spence, one seventh-generation descendant helping to unveil the cairn.

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'Wave of apathy' in Elk Point

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After the *Elk Point Sentinel* ceased publication, local news coverage was provided entirely by the *St. Paul Journal* for the next two years. Here are some highlights of 1982's main events.

April

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce annual meeting was well stocked with politicians, with special guests including former Deputy Premier Dr. Hugh Horner, with a most interesting discourse on 'Rural Alberta in the 1980s', MP Don Mazankowski, speaking on the financial crisis in Canada, and local politician John Drobot, who was seeking the Progressive Conservative nomination for the provincial election.

"The eventual resting place" for Elk Point's tourist booth was in limbo, with an adjacent landowner very much opposed to a proposed site for a trailer sewer dumping facility.

Elk Point's "current wave of apathy" had even affected the rural community, with only 11 members in attendance at a Fishing Lake Range Patrol meeting in Elk Point, where speakers from the Elk Point RCMP and Alberta Highway Traffic Board offered a wealth of interesting and helpful information.

After much study and many delays, including six months of surveys and discussions, town council agreed to lease the former Early Childhood Services Building for use as a multi use community centre for use by local organizations.

Ed Buck was back on town council by acclamation, the only candidate to file papers on nomination day for a by-election to replace F. G. Miller High School principal Phil Matveyenko, who resigned due to alleged conflict of interest between his career and his role as a councillor.

May

Elk Point Elks and OORP lodges held their joint installation of officers, with Exalted Ruler Albert Boratynec and Honoured Royal Lady Jane Dikeman

returned to office for another year, long service awards presented to Elmer Bjornstad and Ed Pankiw, and special thoughts expressed for long-standing member Steve Kuziw, who was battling a serious illness in an Edmonton hospital.

Thirty-two members of F. G. Miller's Class of 1982 saw graduation as "a stepping stone to our dreams" with Aurelia Moneta as their valedictorian and Edmonton Eskimos kicker Dave Cutler as guest speaker.

An unheard-of crowd of 30 members attended the chamber of commerce meeting to hear from RCMP Sgt. Chuck Tweedy discuss the all-too-prevalent problem of NSF cheques, with present economic conditions blamed for the increase.

Three nominees - Karen Madill, Morris Cooper and Alphonse Hurtubise were seeking the town council seat left vacant by the resignation of Wes Hahn, with June 16 set as by-election day.

June

MLA Dr. Charles Anderson and Ted Van de Giessen of Alberta Housing presided at the official opening of Fort George Manor seniors' housing facility, with the opening, due to space restrictions, held at the nearby Pioneer Circle Hall.

Melvin Brooker showed Elk Point's Grand Champion 4-H steer and his sister Donna the Reserve Champion, both animals resulting from the Canadian Limousin Association Progeny Test, Melvin also placing first in Senior Grooming and Donna first in Senior Showmanship.

Morris Cooper was sworn in by Mayor Mike Habiak as the new member of Elk Point Town Council, after receiving 142 of the 267 ballots cast in the by-election.

Stoney Lake celebrated a half century of rodeo action, 50 years to the day after the first rodeo in the area was held on the river bank about five miles distant from the current site, with a special salute to brothers Steve and Mike Demchuk, who were the stock contractors, promoters and general managers of that long-ago show.

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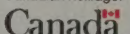
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Bears, berries

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The militiamen, including John's great-grandfather, received the guns as payment for their service when the war was over.

"My dad shot ducks with it," he commented, noting that the musket hadn't been fired for some 25 years.

The outdoor activities got underway shortly after 1 p.m., with young visitors getting their faces painted and colouring t-shirts for both themselves and their stuffed animals and enjoying a story or two, read by Shirley Stromberg. Then it was time for the Bear Games, with four family teams participating in log sawing, balancing precariously on logs for a tug-of-war, with the final event, possibly called basket-bear, having each team member toss stuffies into containers, with a successful toss into the closest containers earning them one point and the further containers two.

Finally it was time for the trek to the picnic grounds, with the site's program coordinator Ross Stromberg leading the way as youngsters searched out the bear-track clues along the route, which led to and through the original site of the North West Company's Fort George before reaching the Plantation area, with its village of teepee frames. One had its canvas covering in place and was all set up for the picnic, complete with a friendly bear who joined the youngsters and a few parents to play 'Bear, Bear, Berry' and a bear-themed version of Freeze Tag before everyone went into the teepee for stories and berry-themed snacks, while they rested up for the long hike back.

The Bears and Berries Festival was this year's first major event, with the second, entitled Rendezvous 222, slated for Saturday, Aug 23, replacing the Forts des Prairies Jamboree, which had suffered from dwindling attendance in the past few years.

Rendezvous 222 will take visitors back to fur trade days as the Forts celebrate their 222nd birthday with fiddle music, stories and a short dramatic presentation based on life in the fur trade, displays of memorabilia from the forts' 1992 Bicentennial, another opportunity to enjoy elk burgers and Saskatoon pie, and of course a big birthday cake to honour the forts! Mark your calendar and plan to join the party!



John Robertson proudly shows off his great-grandfather's Tower musket, which dates back to the War of 1812.



Donna Chamberland slices up another juicy and delicious saskatoon pie.



Celyne Runzer has the rapt attention of Miss Bear as she reads a story.



See them gaily gad about...

Teddy Bears' Picnic participants join in a rousing game of Bear Freeze Tag, above, after following the foot-print signs (right) to the Plantation area adjacent to the original site of Fort George.

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HIGHLIGHTS

July 16, 2014 Council Meeting

Effective immediately the County office will remain closed from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Fundraising Opportunity for Non Profit Organizations – We are looking for a group to assist with clean up after the rodeo performances. The group will work with another group selected by the Town of St. Paul and will receive a \$1250 honorarium from the St. Paul Ag Society. The group who cleans after the rodeo performances this year will then work the rodeo supper in 2015 and receive all the proceeds from the supper (\$1800 to \$2000). If you are interested in this fundraiser or would like more information, contact Phyllis at 780-645-3301, ext. 203.

Loan Guarantees – Council approved Bylaw No. 2014-16 which is a Loan Guarantee on behalf of the St. Paul & District Ambulance Society. This guarantee is for a \$300,000 line of credit, which has been in place since 2009 but has never been used. Council also approved Bylaw No. 2014-17 which is Loan Guarantee on behalf of the Elk Point Regional Allied Arts. This bylaw is also for a \$300,000 line of credit, however the County is only responsible for \$150,000 as the Town of Elk Point is responsible for the other \$150,000.

Regional Emergency Management Plan – We have partnered with the Towns of St. Paul and Elk Point and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay to develop a Regional Emergency Management Plan. We received a grant to develop the plan and have hired a full time Regional Director of Emergency Management. Rob Duffy will commence his duties in early September and he will have an office in the Town of St. Paul.

Strategic Plan – Administration provided a quarterly update on the Strategic Business Plan. The Strategic Plan can be viewed on the County website at www.county.stpaul.ab.ca.

Planning and Development – Council approved Bylaw No. 2014-14 which is a bylaw to amend the Lac Sante Area Structure Plan to allow re-districting on the NE 34-56-11-W4 for Country Residential development without a re-districting amendment to the Area Structure Plan.

Council was presented with several amendments to Land Use Bylaw (LUB) No. 2013-50. Council gave first reading to Bylaw No. 2014-15 to rezone Lot 1A, Plan 9020405 in NW 31-56-6-W4 from Agricultural to Industrial Commercial. The property owner wants to build a service station/gas bar and commercial service centre, which is not a permitted use under the current zoning.

Council gave first reading to Bylaw No. 2014-18 to include (i) under Section 7.32(1)(a) of the LUB which allows a 30 acres subdivision in the W ½ of SW 16-58-7-W4 for country residential use.

Council approved Bylaw No. 2014-09 to rezone PNE 34-56-11-W4 from Agricultural to Country Residential so the owner can subdivide and sell the yardsite.

Council also approved Bylaw No. 2014-13 to rezone Lot 2A, Plan 9020405 in NW 31-56-6-W4 from Agricultural to Industrial Commercial as the owner is proposing a Fuel Distribution Cardlock Service Station.

New Home Warranty – Municipal Affairs implemented the New Home Warranty (NHW) Program and the municipality along with home owners and builders are experiencing difficulties and lengthy delays with the process. Staff have been experiencing delays in receiving answers to their questions about the NHW program and information about exemptions for self-build homeowners. This is impeding the homeowners' ability to acquire the necessary permits as well as secure financing. Council made a motion to send a letter to Municipal Affairs explaining some of the concerns the County is experiencing related to the New Home Warranty.

Advocacy for Evergreen Regional Waste Management Commission – Council determined that the County would draft a resolution to be brought to the AAMDC Zone 5 meeting regarding the Waste Control Regulation; AR192/1996 and the levels it sets for Toluene and Ammonia in leachate. The resolution will be requesting the Province to increase the allowable levels of Toluene and to de-regulate the limit of Ammonia in leachate as per the FINAL REPORT, UPDATING ALBERTA'S HAZARDOUS WASTE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK. A Report Prepared by the Hazardous Waste Technical Committee for the Waste Management Stakeholder Group, November 2006.

Funding

- \$200 Daisy Fraser to represent Alberta at the Canada Senior Games
- \$500 Heinsburg Community Club to pay for entertainment for the Wild Pink Yonder

**For more information contact Sheila Kitz, CAO,
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Provincials, slowpitch packs the diamonds

The ballpark in Elk Point was packed all weekend long, not only with bantam provincial ball players and their parents, but it was the final tournament for the Elk Point slow-pitch league, making it hard to find a parking spot and a place to sit at the concession that was putting out burgers by the dozen.

The Bantam Sox hammered the ball in their first game at 6 p.m. Friday right after the opening ceremonies against the Stony Plain Royals, winning their first game by the mercy rule 15 to 5 in five innings. Catcher and lead-off batter "Awesome Alex" Hunter with three singles, Dustyn "Dust Pan" Pankiw with two singles, three singles and a triple for Nicholas "KKK" Tucker, a double and single for Denver Budzilka, "Taylor Made" Pankiw with two singles, Kyler Carlson a single and double, and Christian "CCW" Castle-Wasson with two singles. Matthew "Big Red Machine" Nahimiak, firing some major heat, was the winning pitcher for the Sox. It was a great start for the Sox.

Although baseball is a team sport it does have two solitary figures, the pitcher and the batter and nothing can be lonelier than a pitcher on the mound deep in thought and deep in mud. The second game on Saturday morning against the Lacombe Dodgers was a wet one, the early morning showers making it a real challenge for the Sox chucker, Cameron "the Bear" Baird, who was up for the challenge and gave it all he had. The mound was greasy and difficult to get good footing where you land on delivery, and all though the grounds crew did a wonderful job of trying to dry it up with kitty litter, it still wasn't the greatest and of course wet slippery balls make it difficult to get a good grip. The Sox, getting pounded by the rain and pounded by the Dodgers, were down by nine runs by the end of the second, but refused to throw in the towel, although they needed one just to keep the ball dry, and would rally right back into the game, closing the gap within three runs and with relief pitcher Kyler Carlson now on the mound, it gave the Lacombe coaches a few tense moments in the final few innings, the final score 12 to 9 after seven complete, in favor of the Dodgers.

At this point in the weekend there was a three-way tie for second place, all of the teams except Heisler had one win and one loss. The Sox would meet the Heisler Cardinals next on Saturday

afternoon. By then the sun was out, the wind had dried the mound and it was just a beautiful day for ball. The boys really needed a win to ensure a spot on Sunday or they would have to rely on another team losing to get into the final. Calling their ace Nicholas "KKK"

**doug
BASSETT**
Review Sports



Tucker to the hill they gave the Cardinals a run for their money, the game was tied at 3-all after three innings, but they were not able to hold off the big bats of the eventual gold winners, the final 10 to 6 in favor of the Cardinals. On Sunday the Cardinals would win over the Dodgers and take home the gold medal.

A big hats off to the coaching staff of Darcy and Sheana Pankiw who brought the team a long way from the beginning of the year, they made ball players out of kids who have never played the game before, battled through weekends with barely nine players and kept them positive when the going was tough. And not only that, they took on their first provincial tournament and did a wonderful job of it with only a week's notice to prepare for it.

More Provincials this weekend

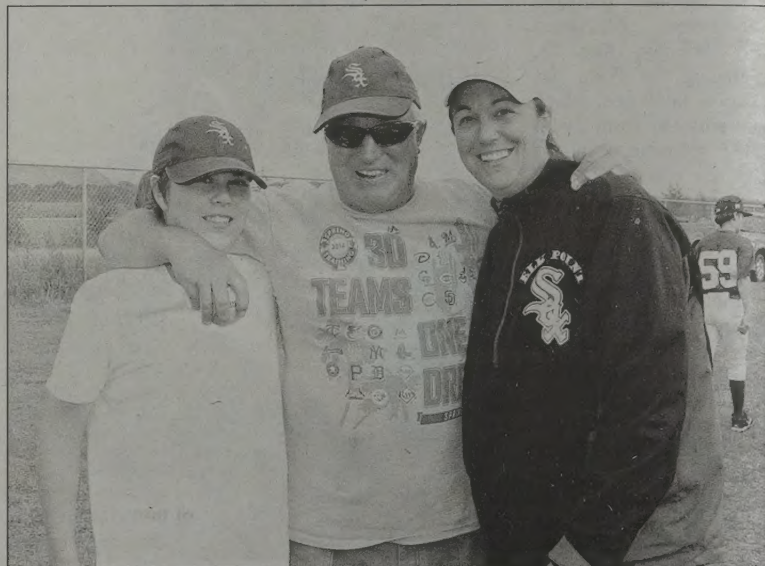
As Yogi Berra would say, "It's not over till it's over" Another provincial final is coming our way this coming weekend the Peeewe Sox will be hosting the AA Peeewe Tier 4 Provincial Final with Whitecourt, Drayton Valley and Stony Plain all coming to town. The Sox' first game is Friday at 3 p.m. vs. the Drayton Valley Giants, followed at 6 p.m. with opening ceremonies. Come on out to the ballpark and cheer on the boys of summer.

Mosquitoes High Prairie-bound

The Mosquitoes Sox are on the road up to High Prairie for their provincial final. Good luck to the team coaches Tyler Warawa, Sheldon Ballas, manager Joanne Warawa and the boys.

A big happy anniversary going out today to Tyson and Twila Stafford. Their son the big left handed mosquitoes Sox pitcher Jace "the Stafford Streak" has won three MVPs in the round robin play and will be called upon this weekend to throw his best stuff and bring along his big bat.

Now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. "You owe it to yourself to be the best you can possible be - in baseball and in life. " Last week's answer to: "Pitchers, like poets, are born not made." - Cy Young



Sportshound Doug Bassett at the opening ceremonies with MC Kaiden Evans-Anderson and Elk Point Minor Ball president Dennell Anderson.



Doug Bassett, a vital part of Elk Point Minor Ball since 1986 as a coach, manager, umpire and grounds keeper, fires the ceremonial first pitch at the 2014 Bantam AA Provincials, with the Lacombe Dodgers and Stony Plain Royals lined up in the background.

Not quite the major leagues, but close

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff



Terri Castle (above) led the singing of O Canada, while the Elk Point Sox and Heisler Cardinals teams stood at attention on the base lines, facing the Canadian flag (below).

Vicki Brooker photos

Watching the Dodgers play the Cardinals in a championship final is the stuff of dreams for major league baseball fans... or for the parents and fans of the Bantam AA baseball teams from Lacombe and Heisler, who cheered on the boys and girls of summer at Elk Point Recreation Park on Sunday afternoon.

After a hard-fought weekend of action, Heisler's bats prevailed, giving them a 11 - 3 victory over Lacombe and the provincial championship, with Heisler's Braden Bendfeld and Lacombe's Parker Mathison named the game MVPs.

Those two teams also started the three-day tournament on Friday afternoon, before they, the Stony Plain Royal and the Elk Point Sox marched onto the field for the tournament's opening ceremonies, where they were introduced by MC Kaiden Evans-Anderson, who offered a vote of thanks to all the volunteers who made the weekend a success.

Mayor Parrish Tung brought greetings from the town and thanked Baseball Alberta for accepting Elk Point's bid for the provincial tournament, as well as the

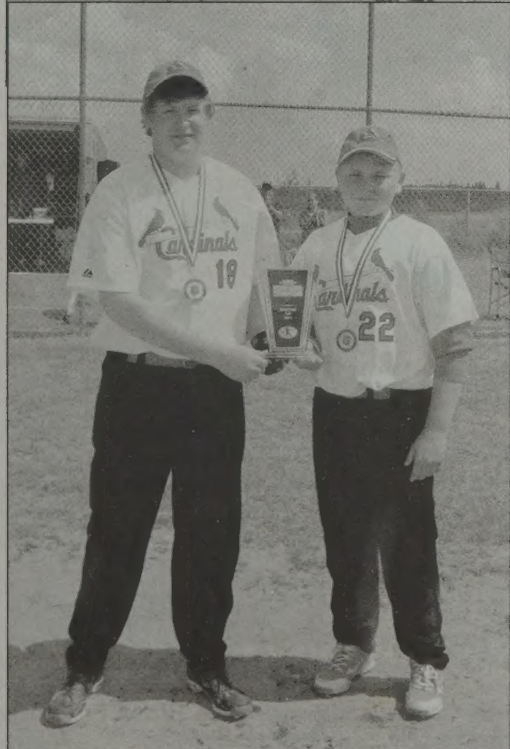
parents and coaches for all their efforts in bringing the teams together to compete.

Terri Castle led the singing of O Canada before Evans-Anderson introduced Doug Bassett, who would be throwing the ceremonial first pitch. Bassett has been involved with Elk Point Minor Ball since his son first joined a team in 1986, "and has spent many hours around these diamonds either coaching, umping or maintaining the fields. Doug coached our provincial Midget Sox teams for many years, winning two golds and three silvers. Last year he decided to get a pee wee provincial team going so we will have midget players in the future," Evans-Anderson said. "Though it was challenging working with the younger, less experienced players, he was able to help guide the team to provincial gold."

He led a round of applause for Bassett, "for all you do and have done to keep minor ball going in our small community," and a second round for Bassett's wife Donna "for allowing him to be at the ball diamonds more than he is at home during ball season. Remember the old saying, behind every great man there is a great woman."



Mayor Tung welcomes the crowd.



Heisler Cardinals proudly display their gold medals and championship trophy after their 11-3 victory over the Lacombe Dodgers.

Cardinals Tristan Skaar (left) and Braden Bendfeld accepted the provincial championship trophy on behalf of the team.

The Lacombe Dodgers show off their silver provincial medals at the end of a weekend of fierce competition comes to an end.





Work of a skilled craftsman

Ernie Poitras of Elk Point displayed a number of his moose horn carvings at the craft show at the Bears and Berries Festival, and asked visitors to guess what animal the horn at far right came from. (Answer: a muskox)

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Fun and games!



"Everyone ROAR!" said storyteller Shirley Stromberg, and roar her young listeners did, adding some great sound effects to the story about some very noisy animals at the Bears and Berries Festival.



Standing on stumps adds an extra challenge to the old-fashioned tug-of-war, as members of the Miller and Ziegler teams do their best to 'stump' their opposition in the Bear Games.

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Sawing away at a log is great exercise, and earned points toward prizes in the Bear Games at Fort George and Buckingham House on Saturday.

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We would like to thank the wonderful nursing staff of the Elk Point hospital and to Dr. Ramful for the care given.

Thank you to Carolyn and staff of Grace Gardens for all the comfort and guidance given; Pastor Kelly Sibley for the service and Brianne Greening for the song.

A special thank you is extended to Dennis Cameron for the heartfelt eulogy and to Cynthia Adkins for the music and songs.

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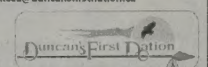
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The request for rezoning from Aarbo Ranching Ltd. states that the property has been used "for commercial use for the past 50 years and should have been zoned commercial."

Krystle Fedoretz confirmed the land has been in commercial use, and that the project is looking at tearing down the commercial structure standing on the property to make way for a new building.

Coun. Dwight Dach made a motion to approve the first reading, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Emergency Management
Rob Duffy has been hired as

the new Regional Director of Emergency Management, and will commence his duties in early September.

"His position will be out of the Town of St. Paul," said Kitz, adding the role will see Duffy prepare and coordinate the Regional Emergency Management Plan. "He has great experience in emergency management as well as in occupational health and safety."

The Regional Emergency Management Plan is in place to protect and ensure the safety of people, property and environment in the County of St. Paul and surrounding area.

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